13. Conducting of field visits individually as well as in teams to units healthy or sick.
14. On request, mediate between management and the workers in helping resolve issues.
15. Any other duties assigned by the Deputy Director/Director General and the Ministry of Industry (Department of Industrial Development).

Agreement between Unions and Management of Heavy Engineering Corporation

2137. SHRI O. J. JOSEPH: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether an agreement reached between the Unions and the Management of Heavy Engineering Corporation has not been fully implemented especially in respect of promotion policy;

(b) whether such delay has caused labour unrest; and

(c) if so, what steps have been taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETRO CHEMICALS (SHRI R. K. JAICHANDRA SINGH): (a) to (c) The Heavy Engineering Corporation (HEC) are committed to implement the said agreement reached with the Unions. There is no delay on the part of HEC to implement the promotion policy; it is only some Unions which are seeking changes in the policy beyond the agreed provisions and the issues are under discussion with them.

Fresh survey of Bhopal gas tragedy

2138. SHRI SUSHIL CHAND MOHUNTA:
SHRI RAM NARESH KUSHAWAHA:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the decision of the Government of Madhya Pradesh to conduct a fresh survey of Bhopal gas tragedy for claiming compensation from the Union Carbide;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor and what is the likely effect on the compensation claims already filed by the gas victims; and

(c) what is the reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETRO CHEMICALS (SHRI R. K. JAICHANDRA SINGH): (a) The Government of Madhya Pradesh has reported that no fresh survey is being conducted.

(b) and (c) Does not arise.

Opening of Electricity Generation to Private Financing

2139. SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY:
DR. (SHRIMATI) SAROJINI MAHISHI:

Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to open electricity generation to private financing;

(b) if so, what are the details of the proposal; and

(c) the reaction of Government over the taking over of the Bombay Suburban Electric Supply Company by the Government of Maharashtra?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER (SHRI ARIF MOHD KHAN): (a) and (b) The policy with regard to the generation and distribution of electricity is regulated by the Industrial Policy Resolution, 1956. According to this Resolution, the generation and distribution of electricity falls under Schedule 'A' category of industries, the future development of which is the exclusive responsibility of the State. The Resolution does not preclude the possibility of the State securing the cooperation of private enterprise in the establishment of new units when the national interests so require. As per this policy, Government have allowed replacement/expan-